

**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
SECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

POST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN STB DOCKET NO. AB-156 (Sub No. 26X)

June 25, 2007

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) has expired in this:

☒ Notice of Exemption ☐ Petition for Exemption ☐ Regulated Abandonment

☒ **NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED**

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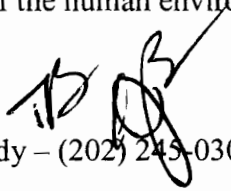
SEA served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on March 6, 2007, for public review and comment. In the EA, SEA recommended three environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

Conclusions

The EA comment period has ended. Accordingly, SEA recommends that the three environmental conditions recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority. The conditions are:

1. The Delaware and Hudson Railway Company shall consult with the New York Department of Environmental Conservation prior to the commencement of any salvage activities to ensure that any concerns related to the adjacent Ford Motor Company hazardous waste site are addressed. Furthermore, the Delaware and Hudson Railway Company shall submit the results of these consultations in writing to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis prior to the onset of salvage operations.
2. The Delaware and Hudson Railway Company shall consult with the Town of Colonie, NY, prior to commencement of salvage activities, in order clarify and discuss the Town's concerns regarding the Delaware and Hudson's proposed abandonment.
3. The Delaware and Hudson Railway Company shall consult with the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) prior to beginning salvage activities. If NGS identifies geodetic station markers that may be affected by the proposed abandonment, the Delaware and Hudson Railway Company shall notify NGS at least 90 days prior to beginning salvage activities in order to plan for the possible relocation of the geodetic station markers by NGS.

If the above conditions are imposed, SEA believes that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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